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MEMORANDUM FOR : Dr. Bernard Drell
Chief, Historical Staff

SUBJECT : Annual Report Submissions from S&T
as Related to Historical Coverage

In response to your request for a review of the S&T contribution to PPB's Annual Report to PFIAB to ascertain adequacy from the historical viewpoint, the attached appraisal is submitted. This is strictly my own reaction from a second reading of the submissions and has not been coordinated with anyone in DD/S&T.



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Office of the DD/S&T: A detailed coverage of management, trends and events--very good from historical viewpoint.

Office of Elint: Major developments are well covered with separate reports on special projects under the compartmented systems (joint with the Pentagon). Collection, processing, and analysis well covered by areas, and detailed technical coverage of equipment engineering and development. Satisfactory for historical purposes.

Office of Special Activities: Complete sequence of program developments and individual events, although sketchy; considered adequate for history in light of the operational character of this Office's mission, and the scaling down of its activities.

Office of Special Projects: Detailed coverage of program developments and operations, including research and development achievements and ongoing plans for advanced systems and components. Good historical reporting.

Office of Computer Services: Satisfactory from historical viewpoint. Excellent chronology.

Office of Scientific Intelligence: Satisfactory from historical viewpoint; a professional writing job.

Office of Research and Development: While the coverage of major developments and trends is very generalized and not tied to specific areas of ORD activity, the coverage of individual projects is quite full, containing sufficient background material for historical purposes. Chronology items, on the other hand, are almost too cryptic to be of help in future history writing.

Foreign Missiles & Space Analysis Center: Day-to-day results of analysis of missile and space events are covered thoroughly and a fairly long schedule of technical documents for archival retention is included. There is little evidence of the human element, and one gets the feeling that FMSAC is just a big input-output machine, untouched by human hands.

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